

71. Steve Murdock was Lawyer David Murdock's son. He was also one of Ella Beach's gentleman friends.
72. Walton's Mine was the first on to the West
73. Ad Colley was one of the children that Dr. Cicero Bartlett raised. It was the custom in those days for the more prosperous citizens to take care of the children of the community who needed help.
74. Al Bartlett was the Doctor's son.
75. John Walton married Carrie Lewis, daughter of Crawford Lewis, and niece of Dr. George C. Lewis. Both thought the other had lots of money, but it turned out well, anyway.
76. Mrs. William Fugate later married a widower, Richard Crouch.
77. I think that some of our family crayon portraits were done by Rufus Huntoon, although they were unsigned. The one of Edith Bull Beach, however, was done by an "artist" in Chicago. A duplicate of it hangs in the Dominy house.
78. The primary grades were on the North side. The grammar and High School building was on the South, the high school being upstairs.
79. Miss DuBois now lives in her father's house. There were four children: Emma, her sister, Fanny, who married Tom Schouler, Tommy, who was the Blade Editor, and another boy. Both boys died young. Emma DuBois's father left her a farm, and she sold it and put the money into Burnham's Hairdressing Institute (also switches, wigs, etc.), and she was the principal owner. The shop was right across from Marshall Fields.
80. For the Chatsworth wreck see clip on page.
81. Torches were a covered iron cup with a wick in it and it held oil. At socials and lawn parties they were tied to sticks of the desired length, and stuck in the ground for illumination.
82. The Aesthetic Society – (From Mother's Autograph Album) February 8, 1882. (The year she was married) M. Louise Taylor, Emma Dean Rogers, Alta Straight, Ella Beach, Anna Stackpole, Lizzie Stilwell, Emma Bartlett, Kate McDowell (Judge's daughter who was disinherited for marrying a school teacher), Bessie O. Bryant, Lottie Rogers (Mrs. Dr. Brewer).
83. I.P. McDowell was the father of the McDowell boys. Elmer was the ringleader.
84. Dr. John Beach was a cousin of T.A. Beach. (See the Obil Beach Book)
85. Nick Claudon and Mollie Schertz were Chester Claudon's parents.

86. This made a particular scandal because “betrayed” girls, in those days, just went into shamed hiding for the rest of their lives, unless they happened to have belligerent male relatives. On no account were they ever supposed to do anything about it themselves.
87. Crawford Lewis was the brother of Dr. G.C. Lewis. (See Lewis book)
88. Harry Bartlett was the son of Doctor Cicero Bartlett; a nephew of TA Beach.
89. Jimmy Taylor was the son of _____ Taylor who lived in the residence on south Fifth Street that became the Fairbury Hospital. They were no relatives of Hi Taylor, Dr. Lewis’s nephew, but were Easterners of wealth and culture. Ella Beach went there for a reception and was so impressed because there were even books upstairs.
90. Old Fashioned doughnuts were made from bread dough. The new ones were of cake dough.
91. Henry Schnetzler was Marjorie Schnetzler’s grandfather.
92. When Chloe Fugate McDowell was buried, the funeral party drove through thick woods from the Fugate place to the Avoca Cemetery. Dr. G.C. Lewis making a professional call got lost in the thick woods east of the ford by the Catholic Cemetery.
93. They also “Rolled for a Turkey”. The turkey itself was tied to a post at one end of the field. The contestant was blindfolded and given a wheelbarrow, but before he started they turned him around three times. After that they didn’t have the least idea which way the turkey was, and the spectators had a hilarious time.
94. They taught German in the Fairbury High School until World War I.
95. Mrs. John Perlee, “Aunt Sally”, was Mrs. T.A. Beach’s sister. The two of them alternated spending the summers with each other.
96. A Love Feast was a short testimonial service after the regular preaching service. It never lasted more than fifteen minutes. They gave the favorite Bible verses they had committed, and made suggestions for church.
97. Conerus’s Cigar Factory was upstairs in the building on the Northeast corner of Locust and Fourth Streets.
98. The Dominy’s kept a family horse, Old Printer. In sub-zero weather, after school the girls would hitch him up to the sleigh and ride until dark. Then they would put the horse up and go home.
99. The cemetery fence was picketed along the west side, chicken fence of slats on the north next to the residences there, and a board fence on the South.
100. O’Mally’s saloon was the Bon Ton then Porters. Katz’s was the next building.

101. Olive Filley's was the third graduating class of the Fairbury High School. She was the first girl to graduate whose father was a veteran of the Civil War, and the G.A.R. all turned out because they all knew her. She ran errands for them, solicited for their campfires, and served the tables. Mrs. Robinson, a vet's wife, took over the decorations and it was the first time there had been any decorations for a graduating class. It was she who made the floral horseshoe, particularly appropriate for Grandmother. The Cramer twins were Grandmother's flower girls. Veterans came from Thawville and other towns for the occasion, and the Filleys had a regular house party. A friend of Grandmothers, a Miss Strawn, of Odell, stayed over for the graduation and she said whoever heard of anyone graduating with long hair, and so that night Grandmother wore her hair up for the very first time in her life.
102. At the street corners there were stone crossings six or eight inches high, and in bad weather the street commissioner shoveled the mud off every day. The mud was hub deep most of the time, but when it had rained a lot of it would be thin and be kicked all over the walks and everything. (And still the women wore trailing dresses). By spring, with all the manure droppings, the odor had become terrific, but nothing could be done until dry weather came and it could be shoveled up and carted off in wagons.
103. The Beach Bros. did not include T.A. Beach, and so far as I know, they were no kin of his.
104. One Fourth of July, Olive Filley was the Field of the Flag. She wore a light blue paper cambric riding habit, all star bespangled, and a starry crown went with it. She wore it on similar occasions at least three years. The girls rode white horses that they scrubbed off with white soap under a couple of cherry trees in the back yard. They did it the day before so that the horses would have time to dry. They were farm horses, plow horses type. The third year the girls decided to change to something with a little more ginger, and so they chose some bay horses. As they went past, Mrs. Filley moaned and said, "That girl will never get to the grove alive."
105. Mr. H. Bartlett was probably a half-brother of Dr. Cicero Bartlett and Mrs. .A. Beach.
106. Taylor's Grove was just south and east of the Fairbury Hospital down towards the golf course.
107. Filleys had a "run up" over the ditch in front of their house. It was slanting on the side towards the house, with cleats across it to catch your footing, and straight on the side towards the street, so a buggy could drive up against it for the passengers to get out. There was a hitching post with a big iron ring at each end of this. A run up was very stylish, and mother was quite proud of theirs.
108. Filleys used to have fried oyster socials. Mrs. Shepherd used to fry the oysters and fixed them right after dinner. They were dipped in beaten egg and fine crackers crumbs several times and then allowed to stand and were fried in half lard and half butter as they were needed.
109. When Dominy built their new home, they moved the old one over on Mowery's Morgue corner and remodeled it for Herbert and Jessie. When they built their new home it was moved across from Ollie McKee, and was later wrecked. Ren helped his daughters build their new homes.

110. T.A. Beach built his corn cribs in town because of the deep mud of the country roads in winter when prices were highest. Sometimes corn was only sixteen and eighteen cents a bushel, and those who could hold it over, sometimes for two or three years. Besides that, the elevators had no storage space, and a number of people built their own corn cribs in town. Cicero Bartlett, Ren Dominy and T.A. Beach had cribs in the east end next to the railroad tracks, and Abe Filley built one for his wife there.
111. "Wabash" was the father of Iva Lytle who was Grandmother Beach's maid for years, and this incident was one of my father's favorite stories. As the story drew to the close, the words came between shouts of laughter. "Sa-a-a-ave me, Gilbo! Let old Bolly go to hell!"
112. They even had corn mush and milk socials, and the people that went ate it and like it. Promenade Festivals were held in the old Opera House. Everybody walked around but there was no music. In winter they ate oyster soup; in summer they had strawberry ice cream. The tables were in the middle of the floor, and the promenading was around the outside.
113. The Fairbury boys didn't allow the out-of-town boys to call on the Fairbury girl's. The first time they came they were given warning. The second time, if they chose to run the risk, the gang just waited until the victim was in his best clothes and approaching his loved ones house, and then he was thoroughly egged or beaten with stuffed clubs. The affection of only the hardier souls survived the treatment. It was Loy Ramsey, Harry Cook and Johnny McDowell who used the stuffed clubs on Grandfather James.
114. Harry Perlee was Aunt Sally's son and a younger brother of Charlie.
115. Harry Lewis was the son of J.E. Lewis.
116. "Fribbie" Filley was so nicknamed by her grandfather Fugate, she the only sister of Olive Filley.
117. William Karnes was the father of Tom Karnes.
118. George Beach, formerly of Beach Bros.
119. This is now known as the Bartlett Building and is on the corner of Locust and Third Streets.
120. The iron steps and railing are still in place in front of the "Fashion Shop", the store next to the corner.
121. The sewage disposal of Fairbury was always terrible. At the time of World War I, the Board of Health tested fourteen wells in town. Twelve of them showed sewage. Furthermore, each town well always had three or four tin cups chained to them.
122. There was a rear room to the Beach and Dominy Bank that was used as a Director's room. It was very nicely furnished and had a fireplace. Grandmother James could remember having been in there.

123. John Virgin did not run busses to the Fair. That was done by the various livery stables, and they ran just from Main Street to the Fair. There were no regular runs for the livery busses.
124. Henry Foster was Harry Foster's father.
125. Judge McDowell always wore a silk hat and Prince Albert coat, and was the leading citizen. He disinherited his daughter Kate, for marrying a school teacher, for he wanted her to stay home and take care of him and his third wife, Anna. She eloped. In Washington, he and his wife adopted a nurse twenty-five or thirty years old and left her everything they had. Kate had painted china and had lovely things but Anna wouldn't give her a single thing. The Judge was bald and looked like Grant. He was very pompous and always wore a silk hat. He and Judge Payson of Pontiac, got the Oliver land.
126. Dan Fugate was the son of William Fugate and the brother of Mrs. Abe Filley. Marion Fugate was his son and his son, Danny, was named for his Grandfather.
127. Stackpole was the one who originated the idea of the town meeting to stop the fire scandal. (He was a real estate man.)
128. Dr. G.C. Lewis and his family were in this fire. When the alarm was given, he told them to stay perfectly quiet in their seats in spite of the stampede of the others. They obeyed him and were unharmed.
129. One time at Revival services everyone was asked to stand. Then the minister asked that those who knew that they were sanctified (sure of going to heaven) sit down. Those who knew that they were saved sat down next, followed by those who wanted to be saved. That included everyone in the congregation except two girls sitting in the back seat, Lizzie Dominy (Bane) and Ollie Filley. Possibly Lizzie stood up because she was "plumb disgusted" at some of the old codgers in the congregation who had considered themselves sanctified and SO GOOD when she had known some lively tales about them. And, besides that, she considered that the minister had so worded his questions that they were a little bit huffy. Their sinful condition became all the more marked when Mrs. Stafford came and knelt down in front of them and began to pray. The mothers of both the girls were very much ashamed of them. Ollie Filley and the Dominy girls, Lizzie and Jennie (Jessie joined the Presbyterian Church when she married Herbert Powell) did not join the Methodist Church until 1944. Joan Jansen, who was living in Fairbury at the time and doing church work, discovered that her Grandmother's name was not on the church membership roll. She brought pressure to bear, and the result was the Rev. Tagg went privately to their homes and read the service. The next Sunday he caused a major sensation in church by reading the list of new members, for all of them had been very active in the church all their lives.
130. They must have had horse power pump to fill the city cisterns (horse on treadmill). At first the cisterns were all connected together, and the water in them all went down at the same time. There were five cisterns and two wells on Main Street, and another on the Livingston Square. One well was on the corner opposite the old opera house and the other was in front of the Sweeny Oil Station. Parker Dresser's was a big frame building. There was a drinking trough on the corner east from the Illinois Hotel. Watering troughs for horses were nearly every block on the south side of Main Street. Many of the horses hitched there were those of

the habitual drunkards. Fires: Wood was plentiful and cheapest for building. (Early Railroad and sawmill at Pontiac.) T.A. Beach's home. Brick with slate roof and AT THE EDGE OF TOWN WITH BIG GROUNDS to eliminate fire hazards.

131. Oysters, in Fairbury, came in tall cans.
132. The Republican pole was in the fountain park; the Democratic in the Sunken Park and the Temperance Pole was in the Arcade Block. "They used to rally around the poles and just raise the dickens". When they raised the Democratic Pole, it broke, and one fellow, half drunk, wanted to use just the stump, but they mended it, though that made it shorter than intended. They used to attend the political rallies in neighboring towns. One time, to go to Piper City, they got up a fourteen car Republican train. They had a conductor for every car. Logan Kring was a conductor on the car next to the engine. Some of the political parades were a couple of miles long.
133. Joe Fifer was from Bloomington and became Governor of Illinois.
134. Will Bane was Barbara Goudy's maternal Grandfather. He bought out Sheank's Bakery. It had a restaurant with it. It was the first building west of Phil Wade's old drug store, where the saloon comes out now. He and Lizzie lived over it.
135. The front of the big Virgin barn was brick.
136. Johnny McDowell got a Rairidon girl into trouble and they were trying to make him marry her, and he had to get out of it fast so he asked Ida Amsler to marry him, and they had a big wedding in just a few days. The day before the event, Grandmother James met a carriage with Johnny's family on the way out to call on Ida, and they stopped her to ask where she lived. They said they wanted to meet the bride before the ceremony so that they would know who she was!
137. John Worthington had been Mrs. Cicero Bartlett's childhood sweetheart.
138. Grant Vanover was the worst one of the boys about disturbing the church meetings.
139. The gang would ride to the coal mine at the West end and the water tank at the East end.
140. Fairbury, Normal and Washington were the big horse centers of Central Illinois.
141. Lou Henderson married Cousin Gertie McDowell, and is Dorothy Henderson's father.
142. Lu McDowell Taylor, known to us as "Aunt Lu", was Grandmother Lewis's companion, and we all thought so much of her.
143. T.S.O. McDowell went on periodic drunks, and would lie in the gutter. Elmer lost his mind partially and ate money in the bank.
144. Cumpston's Grove was about a mile south of Fairbury on the road past the Fairgrounds.

145. The excavations of Walton's Mine ran under Livingston Square, and the land sank in, and the worst part about it was that they didn't know how far it was going to settle. The water tower was leaning over, and one side of the T.P.&W. tracks had settled eight inches, while the other was at former level. When the next train ran over it there was such a movement along the car that the engineer thought he was off the track. He stopped the train (Sinking was back of the Blade Office.) and went back to report.
146. The Remington Place was where George Milne lives now, at the North end of Fifth Street. It used to be very beautiful, with a circling drive, and lots of lovely shrubbery, and the house was a very pleasant one. John Milne was George's father.
147. Emma DuBois married Dr. Salisbury of Strawn. He was engaged to Lydia Duell, and the three of them were invited to the Morris County home for a weekend party. Emma cut out the other girl, and she and the Doctor were married in a couple of weeks. The Doctor had his office at his house, and had a housekeeper who had been with him for years and who deeply resented any interference from the new wife. The Doctor, of course, was gone a great deal, and so Emma got to meet the traveling men about town. Finally the Doctor hired a man to figure in the divorce and married her, and about a month after the second marriage, Emma came home to find all the furniture gone with her husband.
148. All his life, "Uncle Tommy" Beach did dearly love to pay surprise visits on people.
149. Herbert Powell was Dr. G.C. Lewis's attorney.
150. Hiel B Taylor was Ruth Taylor's father; the nephew of J.E. and Dr. G.C. Lewis.